

## COUNTY NEWS

### DOUGLAS.

Special to The News.

Douglas, Jan. 3.—Messrs Everett and Byrne Truesdale, of Kershaw, spent the week-end with Mr. Clyde Williams.

Misses Bernice, Anna Belle and Soalee Graham spent the week-end with Misses Harriet and Nanna Graham.

Miss Mabel Bell of Dry Creek spent Christmas with Miss Jennie McKeown.

Mr. William Sistare and sister, Mildred, of Riverside returned home Saturday after visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Manda Caskey.

Miss Jessie Beckham of Pleasant Hill is visiting Miss Nettie Caskey.

Mr. J. L. Barton of Cedar Creek has been spending a while with his brother, Mr. J. T. Barton.

Mr. L. A. Graham and daughter, Myrtle, spent Thursday at the home of Mr. J. P. Graham, of the upper Camp Creek section.

Miss Della Steele has returned after spending the holidays with her mother at Rock Hill.

Misses Lola Mackey and Mattie Mae Mobley spent Thursday with Miss Nettie Caskey.

Miss Olivette Blackmon of Lancasters spent the past week with her cousin, Miss Olivette Blackmon of Lancaster.

Mr. Walter Blackmon was a recent visitor at Riverside.

Mrs. Jack Baskins and daughter, Rubie, of Elgin spent Thursday with Mrs. Hassie Sistare.

Mr. Jack Williams of Lancaster spent the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Anna Caskey.

### HEATH SPRINGS.

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Heath Spring, Jan. 3.—Mrs. David Stover, with her nephew and niece, who went to Atlanta about two weeks ago to visit the Rev. Fred Horton, her brother, returned home Thursday.

Mr. Charles T. Caskey and Miss Sadie Mackey were quietly married in the study of the Baptist parlorium Wednesday night, Dec. 29, in the presence of a few friends. The ceremony was performed by Dr. J. W. H. Dyches.

Miss Lois Burleigh of Winnsboro was the guest of Miss Laura Threll several days last week.

Mrs. Brooks Cornwell of Lancaster is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. James M. Cauthen.

Mrs. J. C. Bowling has moved, with her family, to Shelby, N. C., where Mr. Bowling is engaged in the cotton mill business.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ingram of Merkle, Texas, have been visiting the former's sisters, Mesdames J. D. Caston and J. A. Williams.

The Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Carson and children of Rich Hill, after spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Saluda and Newberry counties, have returned home and resumed their school work.

Mrs. R. E. Evans and daughter, Mary Elizabeth, of Monroe, N. C., were week-end visitors at the home of Dr. and Mrs. B. D. Stalnaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Bell of Belltown have taken the farm of Mr. H. P. Mobley, near here, for the coming year.

Messrs. L. J. and Perry Mackey of Kershaw came up Saturday morning to attend services at the Baptist church.

The ringing out of the Old year and the ringing in of the New was zealously observed by the young people of Heath Springs Friday night.

School exercises were resumed Monday morning, the members of the faculty having returned after a two weeks vacation.

Mr. H. P. Mobley gave a party to his Sunday school class Friday night, when twenty-five or thirty young people enjoyed the evening at his home.

The young people from this place who are attending the various schools and colleges in this and other States, and those who are teaching away from here, after enjoying the holiday festivities here, have gone to take up their studies and to engage in their teaching.

Dr. and Mrs. B. D. Stalnaker and children went to Kershaw Thursday where they spent the day with Mrs. E. C. Brasington.

Mrs. Ella Mobley of Kershaw has been quite sick for several days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lum Hunter.

The Rev. Bertram Stover, Furman student, visited his aunt, Mrs. P. T. Twitty, Sunday.

Miss Loree Truesdale of Camden has been the guest for a few days past, of her aunt, Miss Lillian Hinson.

Mrs. W. C. Ellis and Ruth, her daughter, returned from Columbia Sunday night, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Mobley.

Miss Minter returned Thursday from a visit to her brothers in Chester.

Mr. Lee Sims of Flint the Flint section, on returning from Rock Hill the last of the week, reported that his wife, who recently underwent an operation there, is doing well.

Mrs. Will Stogner of Lancaster after visiting her sister, Mrs. H. E. Williams, returned to her home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vanlandingham of Lancaster spent Sunday with Mrs. W. T. Vanlandingham and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bowers of Westville came up Monday to visit the latter's mother, Mrs. S. C. Gardner, who is reported quite sick.

Mrs. C. E. Williams left Monday morning for Charlotte where she is seeking treatment for throat trouble.

Mr. O. C. Croxton returned from Rock Hill Monday, after a visit to Mrs. Croxton, who is at the infirmary there.

Mrs. Orrin Hull, formerly Miss Craig, of Thomasville, N. C., was the guest of Miss Maud Mobley last week.

### NOTES FROM MILL VILLAGE.

Mrs. Ada Caston and little son have returned to their home in Columbia after a visit to her mother, Mrs. W. R. Roberts.

Misses Mary and Jessie Roberts of Creek section spent the holidays with Miss Beulah Burnett.

Miss Jazie Roberts of Creek section visited Miss Blossom Roberts.

Mrs. Daisy Gregory and children visited Kershaw Friday.

Mrs. Mag Mehaffey has returned home after a visit to her son at Great Falls.

Mrs. Estelle Kirkland and children of Columbia are visiting her mother, Mrs. W. R. Roberts.

Master Paul Burnett is improving fast after being sick with pneumonia.

Mrs. Bessie Threath and children have returned home after a visit to her father at Flint Ridge.

Mr. R. S. Snipes was very sick Sunday.

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Adams is some better.

Mr. O. H. Adams was very sick last week but is able to be at work again.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Adams is very sick.

Dr. W. W. Fennell was here Friday to see Mrs. Frank Gregg.

Mrs. Frank Gregg went to the Fennell Infirmary Saturday morning and underwent an operation and is getting along nicely.

The little baby of Mrs. Mary Gilmore is very sick.

The young men of Second Baptist church entertained the young women at a nice supper Saturday night. It was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Oscar Barton, son of Mr. Jim Barton of Kershaw is very sick at the home of Mr. Mass Hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hunter visited Mr. Hunter's father, Mr. J. E. Hunter.

Mr. O. H. Adams and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Snipes of Rock Hill Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Nannie Strother spent Saturday and Sunday nights with Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Adams.

Miss Betsy Etill is very low at the home of Mr. J. A. Steele.

Mr. Jim Barton of Kershaw visited his sick son, Mr. Oscar Barton Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. T. N. Reeves of Columbia is visiting her mother, Mrs. Harper Starnes.

Mr. V. M. Adams of Kershaw visited Lancaster Friday.

Mr. Chalmers Wright is very sick. Mr. Tillman Goins has moved from the country here.

Mrs. Robeert Robinson visited relatives at Rock Hill Sunday.

Mr. Lark Starnes will move to the country Tuesday.

Mr. Lester Bowers and family returned home Tuesday after spending a few days with the former's sister, Mrs. J. F. Weaver, of Flint Ridge.

Mr. Frank Gregg returned home Monday from Rock Hill where he accompanied his wife to the Fennell Infirmary.

Master Curtis Bowers has been sick for the last few days.

Mrs. J. R. Threath has been very poorly for the last week.

Mr. Anglo Robinson is sick with grip.

Mrs. Godfrey of Clinton is visiting her son, Mr. Dave Godfrey, at this place.

Mrs. Ollie Starnes of Clinton has returned home after spending a few days at this place.

Miss Nellie Riddle, who has been visiting her uncle, Mr. Dave Godfrey, has returned to her home at Clinton.

The young folks enjoyed a leap year party at Miss Nora Greary's Monday Night.

Miss Pearl Crenshaw of Heath Springs visited her cousin, Miss Bertie

Crenshaw, the past week.

Mr. Ernest Bowers, George Bowers, Jr., and Jeff Reeves of Flint Ridge visited Mr. Hazel Small the past week.

### CAMP CREEK.

Camp Creek, Jan. 3.—Mrs. T. W. Steele spent several days last week with relatives in North Carolina.

Miss May Cook has returned to Rock Hill after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cook.

Miss Jazie Roberts spent the week-end with relatives in Lancaster.

Mrs. W. F. Mothershead and children of Lancaster spent the holidays with her father, Mr. W. T. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cook of Waxhaw spent the week-end with relatives in this community.

Misses Rachel and Mettie Steele are visiting at Matthews, N. C.

Misses Ruth Montgomery and Maggie Lou Steele spent Christmas in Rock Hill.

Mr. Charlie Steele of Rock Hill has returned home after spending the holidays with relatives and friends in this section.

Miss Eunice Hallman of Waxhaw is visiting in this community.

Mrs. Amos Steele and Miss Nettie Roberts spent last week with relatives in Kershaw.

Mr. Oliver Crenshaw is visiting his brother in Elberton, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Crenshaw of Westminster, S. C., spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Crenshaw.

Misses Annie Belle and Bernice Graham visited at Douglas church last week.

Mr. W. T. Morris and daughter, Miss Ellen, spent Friday and Saturday in Lancaster.

Mr. R. L. L. Blackmon spent Thursday night with Mr. S. B. Roberts.

Mrs. J. H. Steele and daughters, Mildred and Thelma of Dixie spent Monday at the home of Mr. W. T. Morris.

Miss Fannie Knight spent Christmas in Rock Hill and Fort Mill.

Mrs. Paul Parlow of Rock Hill spent the holidays with her brother, Mr. R. A. Williams.

The Camp Creek School Improvement Association met December 22, 1915 and elected officers for this year: Mrs. B. H. Plyler, president; Mrs. J. M. Cook, vice-president; Miss Ella Morris, secretary, and Mrs. S. B. Roberts, treasurer. Several interesting talks were enjoyed by those present. The next meeting will be held Friday, January 7, at 2 o'clock.

### ANTIOCH.

Mr. John Q. McManus who teaches at Flat Creek spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McManus.

Mr. Ira Stogner spent the week-end with his grandmother, Mrs. M. J. Huey.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Usher, of Buford spent Sunday at the home of Mr. B. L. Parker.

Miss Ruby McManus spent the holidays with Miss Lillian Blakeney at Monroe, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Stogner spent several days in this community during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Hagins spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Blakeney spent Monday with Mrs. Blakeney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harper.

Mr. Thomas Neal and family of the Unity section spent one day with his brother, Mr. John H. Neal.

Our teachers, Misses Minnie Caskey and Lillian Blakeney have returned to their duties after spending the holidays at their respective homes.

Antioch School Improvement Association held a very enjoyable social meeting on Dec. 17. A most helpful and interesting address on school improvement was made by our popular superintendent, Mr. V. A. Lingle. After Mr. Lingle's address the Calhoun Literary Society rendered an appropriate Christmas program, consisting of recitations, songs and vocal and instrumental solos.

At the close of the exercises, Santa Claus appeared and delighted the little folks with gifts from his huge pack.

Our school is doing excellent work this year. We have one of the leading schools in the county. The enrollment for the present term is one hundred and three and others will enroll later.

A Masonic banquet was given by Antioch Lodge, No. 272, on Dec. 27. A large crowd enjoyed the generous spread of good things. Bro. T. A. Dabney officiated at the public installation of officers for the ensuing year and afterward gave an interesting talk on Masonry.

### MIDWAY, ROUTE 5.

Mrs. J. M. Phillips spent Friday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morgan.

Misses Helen and Effie Neal spent Saturday night with their sister, Mrs. E. G. Catoe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Neal visited their daughter, Mrs. John Morgan, Sunday.

Misses Docia, Ruth and Bessie Self spent Saturday night and Sunday with their sister, Mrs. Jimmie Small.

Mr. C. F. Adams went to Lancaster Thursday on business.

There will be a box supper at Midway Friday night. The public is invited to attend and girls bring lots of boxes filled with nice things to eat and the boys bring plenty of money to buy the boxes with.

### DISPENSARY DIES AFTER LONG LIFE.

caucus and decided that it should be enacted. The measure came up in the senate for discussion at a time so close to the day fixed for adjournment that it was impracticable to give it three readings in both houses. The prohibition bill already passed by the house had come over to the senate and the senate dispensary bill was then moved as an amendment to it, only the title of the house bill being retained. After strenuous opposition and a filibuster by the seven anti-Tillmanite senators the bill was passed, three of those aligned with the Reform faction voting against it. One of these three was D. E. Finley, senator from York and now representative in congress. The new law included the essential principles of the present dispensary system. It was passed in December, 1892, and took effect July 1, 1893. It provided for the establishment of a State wholesale dispensary and sub-dispensaries in all the counties except Marlboro which the late Senator W. D. Evans of that county by resolute efforts succeeded in causing to be exempted.

The constitutionality of the law was attacked in the State courts. Opposition to the law was intense throughout the State but it was generally and firmly supported by Senator Tillman's faction who were a decided majority of the people. In the spring of 1894 occurred the "Darlinton war," as it was popularly called, which resulted in the killing and wounding of three or four men of both factions, resulting in the proclamation by the Governor that the counties of Darlington and Florence were in a state of insurrection. About a month later the Supreme Court of the State, then composed of Justices Simpson, McGown and Pope, declared the law unconstitutional. Mr. Pope dissented. For some weeks following whiskey was retailed freely without license as there was no license law in existence and the dispensary law had been held null and void. In August the personnel of the Supreme Court was changed, the former decision was reversed. The dispensary system was again in force. At the session of the Legislature of 1893 and at subsequent sessions the law underwent various changes, the essential regulative methods of selling intoxicants being retained. In 1895 the constitutional convention incorporated the dispensary plan in the organic law of the State in a clause which Senator Tillman has said that he wrote.

In 1905 the Brice law, introduced by Senator J. Steele Brice of York, was enacted which permitted county option as between dispensaries and prohibition, and very soon the dispensaries were voted out of numbers of counties especially in the Piedmont section. This was the beginning of the downfall of the State dispensary.

In 1905 and 1906 an investigation of the system was undertaken by a committee of the Legislature and it resulted in exposing far-reaching scandals and frauds in the States liquor business, long suspected and alleged but not hitherto proved. Endeavors were made to lighten the law and eliminate possibilities of fraud, but the Legislature did not succeed. In 1906 M. F. Ansel, of Greenville, was elected governor on anti-State dispensary platform and a General Assembly in sympathy with this idea was elected with him. The Legislature in 1907 abolished the State dispensary and substituted the county dispensary system by what is known as the "Carey-Cothran" law. In August, 1909, the 21 counties having dispensaries, held referendums as to their abolition or retention and all the counties except six voted "dry." Since then about nine counties have voted in county dispensaries.

The action of the Legislature of 1915 submitted a Statewide prohibition law to a State referendum which resulted in an election in September, 1915, in accepting the law.

### AUSTRIA'S ANSWER TO UNITED STATES

people held on to the hanging lines and to the capsized boat.

"During the further approach of the submarine the commander saw that a great panic reigned aboard and that he had to deal with a passenger steamer, namely the Ancona, from Genoa. Therefore he gave the occupants of the steamer more time than was required to leave the ship in life-boats.

"At least ten life boats were still aboard which would have more than sufficed for the rescue of the persons still aboard. One of these boats hung, full of people, half turned outward on the davits.

"Since, however, except for this, no further move was made to lower boats, the commander decided after a lapse of 45 minutes to torpedo the ship in such a manner that it would remain a considerable time afloat, in order that on the one hand the getting of the people into the lifeboats should be hastened, and that on the other, an opportunity should remain. Not until 1:20 o'clock did it sink, after a lengthy paralysed setting, with the bow first.

### BLAMES THE CREW.

"During these further 45 minutes all persons yet aboard could have been saved without difficulty with the boats still on hand.

"From the fact that this, contrary to his expectations, was not done, the commander concluded that the crew, contrary to all seaman's customs, had accomplished their own rescue with the first boats and abandoned to themselves the passengers entrusted to their protection.

"The weather at the time of the incident was good and the sea calm, so that the lifeboats could have reached the nearest coast without danger, as damaged only by the unskilled lowering but not after they had struck

the water. "The loss of human lives in the first instance by no means as to the sinking of the ship, but in all probability in a much measure, to the rapid (hinunterwerfen) of the boats full speed, as well as to the fact the crew concerned only for did not rescue the passengers capsized boats.

"It is also probably ascribable to shots which hit the fleeing vessel the death of persons who sank the steamer is also, above all, able to the disloyal conduct of crew.

### DENIES SOME CHARGES.

"As appears from the above a state of affairs, the very latest note of December 9 is based many points on incorrect premises. Information reaching the United States government that solid shot was immediately fired towards the steamer is incorrect; it is incorrect that submarine overhauled the steamer during the chase; it is incorrect that only a brief period was given for getting the people into the boats.

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## Some Real Estate Bargains

83 Acres, Jerry Knight farm, near Tradesville.  
87 1/4 Acres, Tom White place, near Oak Ridge.  
120 Acres, Belk farm, near Riverside.  
S. R. Williams' 6-room house and big lot, East End (out of corporate limits).  
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We wish you all the unlimited happiness and prosperity you deserve in 1916, and we hope to have the pleasure of greeting you face to face in the future as in the past.

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